

Evaluation Organisation of the Planning Commission ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN) : Copies of this Report are already available in the Parliament Library. Chapter IX of the Report gives a summary of its main conclusions and recommendations.

**Identification of New Areas of Foreign Tourists' Interest**

229. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether new areas of foreign tourists' interest have been identified by Government during the last two years ;

(b) if so, the location of these places ; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken by Government to promote tourism in the country during the Seventh Plan period ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT) : (a) to (c). The development of tourism infrastructure and places of tourist interest is a continuous process. Areas of tourist interest are selected in consultation with the State Governments for integrated development under the Plans with the combined resources of Central, State and the private sector. The proposals for Seventh Five

Year Plan include provision of infrastructure facilities for promotion of domestic tourism, development of beach resorts, improvement of facilities for Himalayan trekking and water sports, preservation of national heritage areas, floodlighting of monuments, development of tourism along Buddhist circuits, construction of Yatrikas/Dharamshalas at pilgrim centres, improvement in the quality of surface transport facilities, development of wildlife tourism, professionalisation of service in tourism and travel industry, production of improved publicity material and increased overseas promotional efforts and publicity. A special emphasis will be given to promoting and accelerating domestic tourism.

**Allocations to Bihar for Minimum Needs Programme**

230 SHRI PRAKASH CHANDRA : Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) the details of allocations made to Bihar State in 1983-84 and 1984-85 for implementation of Minimum Needs Programme ; and

(b) the allocation made for the year 1985-86 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN) : (a) and (b). A Statement showing revised approved outlays for the years 1983-84 and 1984-85 and Plan outlay for 1985-86 for the Minimum Needs Programme in Bihar is given below.

**STATEMENT**

*Statement showing approved outlays for the minimum needs programme in Bihar*

S. No.	Programme	(Rs. lakhs)		
		Revised approved outlay 1983-84	Revised approved outlay 1984-85	Approved outlay 1985-86
1.	Elementary Education	2002	3348	2100
2.	Adult Education	290		400
3.	Rural Health	750	825	834
4.	Rural Water Supply	1227	1662	1771
5.	Rural Electrification	750	616	870
6.	Rural Roads	2860	3187	3400
7.	Rural Housing	182	200	500
8.	Improvement of urban slums.	55	70	100
9.	Nutrition	145	280	558
<b>Total :</b>		<b>8261</b>	<b>10188</b>	<b>10533</b>